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### Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09 / 251,218 First Named Applicant: Peter R. Ellis

Examiner: Pierre E. Elisca

Art Unit: 3621

Status of Application: Pending

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**Tentative Participants:**

(1) SPE James Trammell

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(3) Examiner Pierre E. Elisca

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Proposed Date of Interview: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (AM/PM)

**Type of Interview Requested:**

(1) ☒ Telephonic

(2) ☐ Personal

(3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES

☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
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**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

At Examiner Elisca's suggestion we are requesting a telephone interview in this very unusual situation where this case was withdrawn from appeal and now a single article reference is cited which on its face has very little, if any, thing to do with the invention. Before filing another appeal brief we would like to discuss this further.  
An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

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